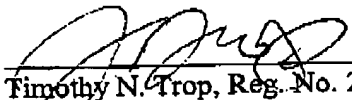


**REMARKS**

Claim 1 has been amended to include the subject matter of claim 6, indicated to be allowable. Since this amendment reduces issues and places the application in condition for allowance, it should be entered.

Respectfully submitted,

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